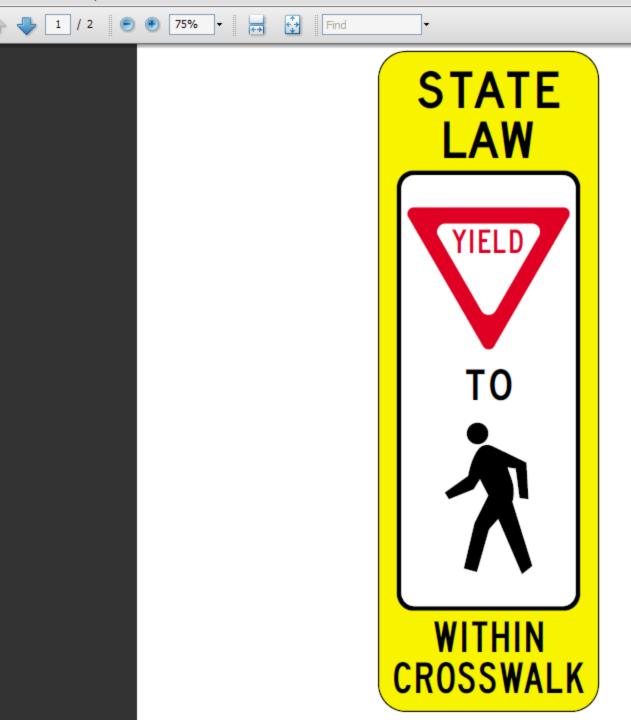
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IC 9-21-17 Chapter 17. Pedestrians

IC 9-21-17-1

Traffic and pedestrian control signals

Sec. 1. (a) Pedestrians are subject to traffic and pedestrian control signals under this chapter.

(b) At all places that are not marked with pedestrian control signals, pedestrians are accorded the privileges and subject to the restrictions of this article.

"Walk" and "don't walk" signals

- Sec. 2. Whenever special pedestrian control signals exhibiting the words "walk" or "don't walk" are in place, the signals must indicate as follows:
- (1) Flashing or steady "walk" means a pedestrian facing the signal may proceed across the roadway in the direction of the signal and a person who drives a vehicle shall yield the right-of-way to the pedestrian.
- (2) Flashing or steady "don't walk" means a pedestrian may not start to cross the roadway in the direction of the signal. A pedestrian who has partially completed crossing on the "walk" signal shall proceed to a sidewalk or safety island while the "don't walk" signal is showing.

Duty to obey traffic control device; exception

Sec. 3. A pedestrian shall obey the instructions of an official traffic control device specifically applicable to the pedestrian, unless otherwise directed by a police officer.

As added by P.L.2-1991, SEC.9.

IC 9-21-17-4

Crosswalks; local authorities; designation by ordinance

Sec. 4. A local authority: (City Ord. 45.01 to 45.09)

- (1) may, by ordinance, prohibit pedestrians from crossing a roadway in a business district or a designated highway except in a crosswalk, which may be established by the ordinance; and
- (2) shall mark the crosswalks in a manner conforming to the uniform system of traffic control devices created under IC 9-21-3. *As added by P.L.2-1991, SEC.9.*

Walking or running into the path of a vehicle; prohibition Sec. 5. A pedestrian may not suddenly leave a curb or other place of safety and walk or run into the path of a vehicle that is so close as to constitute an immediate hazard.

As added by P.L.2-1991, SEC.9.

IC 9-21-17-6

Overtaking and passing a vehicle stopped at a crosswalk; prohibition Sec. 6. Whenever a vehicle is stopped at a marked crosswalk or at an unmarked crosswalk at an intersection to permit a pedestrian to cross the roadway, a person who drives another vehicle approaching from the rear may not overtake and pass the stopped vehicle. *As added by P.L.2-1991, SEC.9.*

Crossing roadway at point not marked as a crosswalk; yield of right-ofway to traffic

Sec. 7. A pedestrian crossing a roadway at a point other than within a marked crosswalk or within an unmarked crosswalk at an intersection shall yield the right-of-way to all vehicles upon the roadway. *As added by P.L.2-1991, SEC.9.*

IC 9-21-17-9

Marked crosswalks; adjacent intersections; duty to obey Sec. 9. Between adjacent intersections at which traffic control signals are in operation, pedestrians may not cross at any place except in a marked crosswalk. (City Ord. 45.06 Prohibited Crossing) As added by P.L.2-1991, SEC.9.

Diagonal crossing at intersections

Sec. 10. A pedestrian may not cross a roadway intersection diagonally unless authorized by official traffic control devices. When authorized to cross diagonally, pedestrians shall cross only in accordance with the official traffic control devices pertaining to diagonal crossing movements.

As added by P.L.2-1991, SEC.9.

IC 9-21-17-12

Sidewalk available; prohibition on walking along or upon roadway Sec. 12. If a sidewalk is provided and the sidewalk's use is practicable, a pedestrian may not walk along and upon an adjacent roadway.

Yield of right-of-way to all vehicles on roadway

Sec. 15. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, a pedestrian upon a roadway shall yield the right-of-way to all vehicles upon the roadway.